WCBS-TV Quarterly Issues/Program Report – April 10, 2018

Attached are the listings of broadcast segments and stories that reflect Channel 2's significant programming treatment of ascertained community issues during the preceding three-month period.

Time period of day, day of week, source and format descriptions follow the first appearance of the broadcast name. Date references refer to broadcast days. All times given are approximate.

Programs

CBS 2 News This Morning, CBS 2 News at Noon, CBS 2 News at 5:00, CBS 2 News at 6:00, CBS 2 News at 11:00, CBS 2 News Saturday, CBS 2 News Sunday - Regularly scheduled news broadcasts focusing on current issues and events.

60 Minutes - Regularly scheduled one-hour weekly broadcast featuring in-depth interviews and reports of various lengths and topics. Sunday, 7 - 8 p.m.

Face the Nation - Regularly scheduled half hour news broadcast featuring reports and interviews with government leaders, politicians, and international figures in the news. Sunday, 10:30-11 a.m.

48 Hours – Regularly scheduled news broadcast. Saturday, 10 - 11 p.m.

"Health Watch" – features of varying lengths focusing on health related issues, the latest in medical research and treatments, and other health related topics.

"Money Watch" – features of varying lengths focusing on the latest in the economy along with tips and ways to save money.

Public Service Announcements- WCBS-TV continues its tradition of airing and sponsoring PSAs. PSAs in rotation stem from various organizations such as, Project Roadblock – Drunk Driving Campaign, United Way, Teen Suicide Prevention, National Association of Broadcasters, New York State Broadcasters, Partnership for Drug Free Kids, Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation, A Safer City, The Make-A-Wish-Foundation of Metro New York, Food Bank NYC, New York City Department of Transportation Vision Zero, New Alternatives for Children, City Harvest, Texting and Driving, Ad Council.

<u>Health</u>: Topics in this category include: Governor Cuomo signed an executive order to combat the widespread epidemic of the flu allowing pharmacists to administer the flu vaccine to children ages 2 to 18; A possible Measles outbreak in New York contracted from a tourist who traveled from Australia on February 16 and Senator Schumer called upon the CDC to send a surveillance team to New York to help local state health officials by studying the spread of the flu.

CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 1/18 Anchor Chris Wragge reports Federal Health Officials announced the flu is now widespread in nearly every state and it has claimed the lives of at least 20 children. 1/29 Anchor Chris Wragge reports Senator Chuck Schumer has called upon the Center for Disease Control to send a flu surveillance team to New York. The senator would like the team to help local state health officials by studying the spread of the illness. 2/20 Anchor Mary Calvi reports a total of 3 children have died in New Jersey from the flu. CBS 2 NEWS **AT 5:00 PM:** 1/16 Anchor Kristine Johnson reports Grimaldi's in Brooklyn was closed by the New York City Health Department. The restaurant is located on Front Street in Dumbo and was shut down after an inspection revealed several violations. The health department is working with Grimaldi's to resolve the issues and re-open the restaurant. 1/16 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports the nationwide flu epidemic has now claimed the life of a boy in Connecticut. 1/29 Anchor Kristine Johnson reports the flu season has not peaked as of yet and New York City is reporting the highest flu activity since the pandemic nearly ten years ago. 2/21 Anchor Chris Wragge reports New Yorkers are kicking the habit of smoking in record numbers. According to state health department statistics smoking rates in the state dropped 22 percent in 2016, their lowest levels in state history. Vaping has doubled in young people between 2014 and 2016 and 20 percent reported using e-cigarettes. CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM: 1/25 Anchor Dana Tyler reports Governor Cuomo signed an executive order to combat the widespread epidemic of the flu. The order is effective today, allowing pharmacists to give flu vaccinations to children ages 2 to 18. The order suspends part of the state law that limits pharmacists from administering immunizations to anyone under the age of 18. There have been 8 thousand new cases of the flu and at least 17 hundred people hospitalized. CBS 2 NEWS AT 11:00 PM: 1/18 Anchor Dick Brennan reports Governor Cuomo is urging all New Yorkers to get a flu shot, amid fears the illness is spreading. Anyone over 6 months should get the vaccine even when the vaccine doesn't prevent infection it can lessen symptoms. The state health department claims the number of flu cases has rose over 54 percent in the last week. CBS 2 NEWS SATURDAY: 2/24 Anchor Andrea Grymes reports on a possible exposure to Measles in the tri-state area. A tourist from Australia recently tested positive for the infection. State health officials stated the man arrived in New York on February 16 and visited two hotels in the city in addition to several locations in Orange and Putnam Counties.

<u>Government and Politics:</u> Topics in this category include: Governor Cuomo was endorsed by the New York's largest union Local 1199 for his re-election campaign and the new Governor of New Jersey, Phil Murphy signed his first legislation to provide funding for family planning and women's health.

CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 2/5 Anchor Mary Calvi reports a former top aide to Governor Cuomo returns to Manhattan Federal court for his corruption trial. A key witness in the government's case against Joseph Percoco is expected to take the stand. Todd Howe pleaded guilty in 2016 to charges in a cooperation deal. Percoco faces bribery, extortion and other charges. He and several others are accused of paying and accepting bribes and rigging bids in the awarding of state contracts. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00 PM:** 2/21 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports Governor Cuomo has kicked his re-election campaign into high gear by getting the endorsement of New York's largest union, Local 1199. The union also backed Mario Cuomo in the 1982 Democratic Gubernatorial primary when he was given little chance of beating then Mayor Ed Koch. CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM: 1/16 Anchor Dana Tyler reports Governor Cuomo unveiled his executive budget today and it is packed with proposals designed to help the state operate without much help from the Federal government. CBS 2 NEWS AT 11:00 PM: 1/16 Anchor Jessica Moore reports Governor Cuomo mentioned Governor Murphy's plan to legalize marijuana in his budget address. Governor Cuomo said he will continue to look further into the facts and will let the department of health do a study and work with state police before considering any changes. 2/21 Anchor Dick Brennan reports on the first law signed by New Jersey's new Governor Phil Murphy to provide funding for family planning and women's health. The legislation signed today will set aside 7 and a half million dollars in grants for health clinics and Planned Parenthood. Democrats who control the legislature say funding is needed for preventative care, including breast and cervical cancer screenings. The legislation bars the money from being used for abortions.

Education: Topics in this category include: A father daughter dance was cancelled at an Elementary school in Staten Island due to the new gender guidelines; New York City's Department of Education is now required to report bullying through an electronic system within a day of the incident and an 8-year-old boy wandered off from an East Harlem School without a coat.

CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 2/6 Anchor Dick Brennan reports a Staten Island Elementary School's traditional father daughter dance has been cancelled over new gender guidelines. The dance at PS 65 in Stapleton was supposed to be this Friday but the principal told the PTA to re-schedule the dance because of a gender neutral policy established by the Education Department last year. The policy requires school events to include all students and families. Parents have mixed reactions. CBS 2 NEWS AT NOON: 3/19 Anchor Mary Calvi reports Jersey City teachers have returned to work today following a one day strike. The union and the board of education reached a tentative agreement. CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM: 3/14 Anchor Dana Tyler reports New York City's Department of Education is now toughening a policy on school bullies. The city has settled a Federal lawsuit filed 2 years ago by public school parents who claimed that school violence and bullying were not being adequately addressed. As part of the settlement the Department of Education is required to report bullying through an electronic system within one day of an incident. Parents will also be able to submit complaints electronically. CBS 2 NEWS AT 11:00 PM: 1/30 Anchor Alice Gainer reports an 8-year-old boy wandered off from an East Harlem School and parents are demanding answers. The boy left PS 30 and was missing for at least a half an hour before he was found. Police said he was being bullied and left the building in frustration. He was found a couple of blocks from the school, in the cold without a coat.

<u>Consumer:</u> Topics in this category include: Apple released a new battery health menu for iPhones and Lyft partnered with Allscripts to provide transportation to patients of Allscripts to doctor appointments.

CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 2/7 Anchor Mary Calvi reports Apple has released a new battery health menu for iPhones. The move comes after Apple revealed it purposely slowed down older devices with weakened batteries to keep them from shutting down unexpectedly. Now, users will be able to monitor peak performance capacity where they can check if their iPhones performance is being throttled or adjusted due to the battery. 3/6 Anchor Mary Calvi reports on the ride-sharing service, Lyft and how the company would like to help patients get to and from the doctor's office. Lyft is partnering with Allscripts, an electronic health records company. Doctors and patients who use Allscripts can use the Lyft concierge service to request rides for their patients with the healthcare providers typically covering the costs. CBS 2 NEWS AT NOON: 2/8 Anchor Chris Wragge reports on a new study that found heart rate sensors in wearable electronics such as the Apple watch and Fitbit can detect early signs of diabetes with 85 percent accuracy.

<u>Crime:</u> Topics in this category include: A 67-year-old woman was brutally attacked inside the West Village subway station; A student was stabbed at New Rochelle High School; New York law enforcement stopped a major drug ring in Hudson Valley from selling heroin and cocaine.

CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 1/18 Anchor Chris Wragge reports the suspect in the deadly Halloween West Side bike path attack said he is ready to plead guilty if he will be spared the death penalty. Eight people were killed and 11 others were injured in this attack. 1/26 Anchor Chris Wragge reports a Nassau County home health aide was arrested after her 90-year-old patient claimed she was beaten and abused by the aide. CBS 2 NEWS AT NOON: 3/1 Anchor Chris Wragge reports a 67-year-old woman was brutally attacked inside a West Village subway station. Investigators have released images of the suspect. Police claim the suspect also female, knocked the victim to the ground and punched her repeatedly before running away. 2/8 Anchor Mary Calvi reports two men were arrested and accused of being fake dentists. The suspects are each charged with practicing dentistry without a license inside residential apartments in Linden. Unlicensed dentistry in New Jersey is a crime that carries a prison term of up to five years. 2/22 Anchor Chris Wragge reports police are investigating a possible hate crime in Borough Park, Brooklyn. Last night, two swastikas were found etched into the glass of two parked cars on the 52nd street between 16th and 17th Avenues. It is unclear when the cars were vandalized and the NYPD hate crimes task force is investigating. CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00 PM: 1/19 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports a student was stabbed inside a New Rochelle High School. Parents are demanding answers from the school in Westchester. Police are still searching for the 15-year-old suspect. 3/12 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports on a deadly police shooting on Long Island. A police officer in Great Neck shot and killed a man who was armed with a bat threatening the officer. Earlier, the suspect had been striking drivers' vehicles amid a case of road rage. During the investigation officer discovered the suspect was wanted for a deadly hit and run that killed a 50-year-old man in Williamsburg, Brooklyn. CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM: 2/14 Anchor Dana Tyler reports New York law enforcement charged 16 suspects in a major drug ring selling heroin and cocaine in the Hudson Valley. Attorney General Eric Schneiderman charged the suspects involved in the drug ring and they are facing a 172 count indictment.